

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

–[[For a]]An analytical test element for blood analyses is provided having at least  
[[comprising]] a substrate body having a channel structure for the flow transport of a  
blood sample from an application site to at least one analytical site.]]  
the invention  
proposes that t]]The channel structure has a dilution channel that can be loaded with  
the blood sample and is provided with a separation [[means]] component for retaining  
corpuscular blood components and has a sample channel which conveys a blood  
sample aliquot to be diluted and joins the dilution channel at a mixing site.--.